GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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SERVING OF SIIB STAADARD FOOD UNDER MID DAY MEAL SCHEME
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are cases of school children falling ill after eating food served under the Mid-Day Meal Scheme in the country;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported during each of the last.three years and in the current year. State and Union Territory (UT)-wise;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry into the matter;

(d) if so, the details of the enquiry report; and

(e) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d): Certain cases of children falling ill after eating food served under Mid-Day Meal Scheme have corne to the notice of the Government.Details of such cases and action taken thereon are annexed.

(e): States/UTs are continuously advised and encouraged to establish systems to avoid recurrence of such incidents and give full attention to the issues of quality and regular supply of food. They have also been urged to involve the parents, coinmunity members, Village Education Committee members and Panchayati Raj Institutions to supervise the cooking and serving of mid day meat to children.